

**EASTON BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
REGULAR MEETING  
24 JANUARY 2023  
6:30 PM  
MINUTES**

**PRESENT:** Bruce Flewelling, Norm Trask, Doug Blackstone, Tammy Beaulier-Fuller, Jim Gardner Town Manager and Cheryl Clark Town Clerk

Chairman Flewelling called the regular meeting to order at 6:30 pm

No Public Comment.

Selectmen Blackstone made the motion to approve the minutes of 12 December 2022 Regular Meeting. Selectmen Trask seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0

Selectmen Beaulier-Fuller made the motion to approve and sign treasure's warrants #91-#102. Selectmen Trask seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

Selectmen Blackstone made the motion to approve the financial figures through 12 January 2023 and to move \$12,403.00 from the Unexpected Expenses account to the Other Expenses line item of Solid Waste. Selectmen Beaulier-Fuller seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

Easton Board of Selectmen reviewed the Proposed 2023-2024 Municipal Budget. After a discussion Town Manager Gardner stated that he would bring the final copy of the 2023-2024 Proposed Municipal Budget back to the Easton Board of Selectmen at the February 2023 meeting. So, noted.

Easton Board of Selectmen reviewed the listing of current Municipal Budget Committee members and set the 2023 Budget Committee Meeting for 28 February 2023 at 6:30 pm with the location being the Odd Fellows Hall. So, noted.

Easton Board of Selectmen reviewed the email from the Maine Department of Transportation concerning the railroad crossing on the Station Road and the repair of the crossing this year. So, noted.

Easton Board of Selectmen reviewed the invoice from TRANE concerning the Easton School Department heating system. After much discussion concerning the conversations going on in the public of problems with the heating systems Town Manager Jim Gardner

was then instructed to get in touch with Mark Stanley, Easton School Superintendent, and set up a meeting with the Easton School Board to explain the current situation with the new heating system. So, noted.

Easton Board of Selectmen reviewed letters sent to McCain Food USA and Huber Engineering Woods LLC concerning a site visit with Town of Easton's current Appraisal/Assessing company Marshall and Stevens. Town Manager Gardner stated that Marshall and Stevens only view of the two industrial sites were done via video camera. Town Manager Gardner stated that there was a current agreement with McCains Food USA to work towards establishing a fair market appraisal of real estate and personal property. Town Manager Gardner also stated that 2024 stands as five years since the last revaluation and that the Easton Board of Selectmen had established that every 5 years, we look at the industries and every 10 years for residential and commercial. So, noted.

Easton Board of Selectmen review a letter received from Maine Town & City Clerks' Association regarding Cheryl Clark, Easton Town Clerk, receiving the distinguished honor of being awarded a lifetime certification. So, noted.

Easton Board of Selectmen reviewed notification of the BETE annual payment received. So, noted.

Easton Board of Selectmen reviewed the email from Spirit of America Tribute concerning a nominee for the year 2023. Town Manager Gardner stated he would retrieve a list of potential recipients. So, noted.

Easton Board of Selectmen reviewed the laws on renewable energy solar fields. So, noted.

Easton Board of Selectmen reviewed the monthly newsletter from Chamber of Commerce. So, noted.

During the Manager's Report Town Manager Gardner stated that he would like to appoint Cody Humphrey to the Easton Planning Board. Town Manager Gardner also stated that Cheryl Clark had recorded thirty years as the Town Clerk for Easton and he would like to signify that with a plaque or some other item to represent the years of service. Town Manager Gardner stated that Greg White, Easton Fire Chief have been working on a proposal for a new boiler in the fire station building. Hopes are that all proposals and discussion with the Easton Board of Selectmen will be completed for the Town Meeting of the School Budget.

Selectmen Blackstone made the motion to appoint Cody Humphrey to Easton Planning Board to fill the vacant seat. Selectmen Beaulier-Fuller seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0

Select Trask made the motion to allow the Town Manager to purchase the appropriate representation of Cheryl Clark's 30 years of service. Selectmen Beaulier-Fuller seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0

Selectmen Beaulier-Fuller made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:37 p.m. Selectmen Trask seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Jim Gardner  
Easton Town Manager